

Amendments to the Specification:

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 3, line 17, through page 4, line 4, as follows:

A length L between the "+" symbols of a correction image pattern P1 shown in Fig. 2A which is expected by the control system should be equal to a length between the "+" symbols of a correction image pattern P2 shown in Fig. 2B which is actually printed on a paper sheet by the image printing system. However, image reduction occurs depending on the type or size of paper sheet. For example, in some case, a length L2 between the "+" symbols of the correction image pattern P2 actually printed on a paper sheet by the image printing system becomes larger than a length L1 between the "+" symbols of the correction image pattern P1 expected by the control system ($L2 > \cancel{S1} \underline{L1}$). For this reason, the vertical magnification of a toner image must be adjusted in accordance with the type or size of paper sheet.